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## **BOARD OF HEALTH AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED**

The Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department will recognize two businesses, an advisory group and three individuals with Board of Health Awards. The Awards will be presented at the Board of Health Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony on April 14<sup>th</sup> at the Lincoln Station Great Hall, 201 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

The Keynote Speaker will be Sheila Burke, a senior public policy advisor and faculty member at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. She will speak on Health Policy & Health Care Reform, The Awards will be given in five categories with two awards presented in the general community category.

**Community Health Award** to the 2009 H1N1 Vaccine Distribution Advisory Group. The Advisory Group is being recognized for their assistance in prioritizing the distribution of the H1N1 vaccine in the community.

**Community Health Award** to Pfizer, Inc. for their assistance with the H1N1 vaccine distribution in 2009 and for their many years of support in promoting public health in our community.

**Public Health Leadership Award** to Joan Anderson, Executive Director of the Lancaster County Medical Society, for her leadership in the community on health care access. She has been closely involved in the development and implementation of several programs and initiatives focusing on those who do not have a source of needed care or a way to pay for health care.

**John J. Hanigan Award** to Sarah Cada, MD, for her extraordinary leadership and dedication to public health. These include her efforts with promoting women's health and advocating for public health services.

**Food Sanitation Excellence Award** to The Parthenon for their exceptional inspection scores, cleanliness of their business and solid food handling practices.

**Carole Douglas Public Health Achievement Award** to Barbara Martinez for her outstanding service to public health. Ms. Martinez is a 25 year Health Department employee and will be recognized for her efforts in Community Health Services for assuring access to needed and appropriate health care to individuals in our community.

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